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Please consider the following comments

Sinclair Broadcast Group's recent actions have illustrated the dangers to localism caused by media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard.

If Sinclair can proclaim its own beliefs, why can't someone else do the same? Is it because that someone else has a different agenda than from the Sinclair ideology? I'm speaking from the idea that Michael Moore is not allowed to air his view points - yet Sinclair is. How can I not see that as prejudiced judgment on your part?

This still is a country built from the idea of and on Democracy, right?

Or has BIG BUSINESS really taken hold? Better yet, as a government agency, why are you being influenced by BIG BUSINESS? He who has the \$\$\$ you hear? I'm just a common citizen, paying your wage and yet I have to put up with your decisions and shut up! You, my fellow citizens, are not being Democratic! You are being swayed by the ALMIGHTY \$\$\$\$. Isn't that one of the seven deadly sins? GREED!

Take the blinders off!

November 2, 2004 - the end of an ERROR!

Stop the insanity by refusing to let Sinclair broadcast their prejudices in regards to the "news" movie (documentary) about John Kerry! Just STOP IT!
Thank you.

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